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In re Application of

Yasuhiro SAKAI et al.

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For:

Method of Staining, and Detecting and Counting

Bacteria, and a Diluent for Bacterial Stain

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.